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SUBJECT: CONGRESSIONAL HEARINGS ON DICRIMINALIZATION OF MARIHUANA

REF: STATE 057902

MAGISTRATES COURT ADVISES THAT POSSESSION AND TRAFFICKING OF MARIHUANA IS AN OFFENSE PUNISHABLE UNDER THE REGULATIONS OF THE DANGEROUS DRUGS ORDINANCE, CHAPTER 95, LAWS OF FIJI. THIS ORDINANCE PROVIDES FOR TRIAL BY THE SUPREME COURT OF CASES INVOLVING THE TRAFFICKING OF LARGE AMOUNTS OF MARIHUANA WITH MAXIMUM SENTENCE BEING TEN YEARS OR FINE OF FDOL 2,000. THE MAGISTRATES COURT TRIES THOSE CASES INVOLVING LESSER AMOUNTS OF MARIHUANA FOR PERSONAL USE AND MAXIMUM FINE IS FDOL 500 OR A PRISON SENTENCE OF ONE YEAR. FIJI'S DANGEROUS DRUG ORDINANCE IS STRICTLY ENFORCED IN THE METROPOLITAN AREAS OF SUVA AND NADI, BUT RELATIVELY UNENFORCED IN THE RURAL AREAS WHERE CANE FARMERS GROW SMALL AMOUNTS FOR THEIR OWN USE.  
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